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SUBJECT: EU DECISION ON AVIATION EMISSIONS TRADING SET FOR  
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11. (SBU) Econoff delivered reftel demarche on the EU,s  
proposal to include international emissions from non-EU air  
carriers in its Emission Trading Scheme to Anna  
Wickstrom-Noejgaard and Anu Pulkkinen, both from the North  
America Unit of the Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs.  
Contacts were unwilling to take a position on the substance  
of the demarche until the European Commission issues its  
findings on December 20. Given the late timing of the  
Commission,s findings, contacts noted this issue will roll  
over to the German EU Presidency. GOF officials have been  
publicly supportive of including air travel in Europe in  
emissions trading, going so far as making donations to  
climate change mitigation projects to compensate for the CO2  
emissions from air travel to and from EU meetings. However,  
GOF officials have fallen short of commenting on whether  
non-European air carriers would be included.  
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